DISTRICT REPORTS.

8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season, tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, areas affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

11. Public health.

12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage, of fodder, etc.

BANGALORE CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION.

	Average for the past five years of the corresponding week.	*Current.*
Prices of food grains—Rice ...	7½	5½ to 5¾ seers per rupee.
Ragi ...	19	9½ to 10 seers per rupee.

Agricultural operations.—Ragi is under harvest.

Standing crops are withering.

Cattle are in good condition. Water and fodder sufficient.

BANGALORE CITY AND TALUKS.

8. Market sufficiently supplied for the present.

9. *Standing crops.*—Standing dry crops are reported to be in fair condition at present in the taluks of Bangalore, Hoskote, Kankanhalli, Channapatna, Anekal and Devanhalli. Standing wet crops are reported to be withering in all places, except parts of the taluks of Bangalore, Hoskote and Anekal. It is reported that sugar-cane is withering in the Kankanhalli Taluk. In the Devanhalli Taluk, it is in fairly good condition.

Crop harvested.—First sown ragi is being harvested throughout the district.

Probable outturn.—It is reported that in certain parts of the Nelamangala Taluk, the probable outturn is from 1 to 6 annas and in other parts from 4 to 12 annas. In Anekal and Closepet from 6 to 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season cannot be said to be very promising. Rainfall has been insufficient throughout the district. Scarcity of water is beginning to be felt in parts of the taluks of Nelamangala, Dodballapur, Kankanhalli, Magadi and Channapatna and in Closepet. Arrangements have been made to have wells sunk in the affected parts. Supply of food stuffs sufficient for the present. But their prices continue to run high in the markets. It is reported that men from outside have come to the Magadi Taluk in search of cooly work.

11. Public health generally good. But plague, it is reported, has broken out in some parts of the Kankanhalli Taluk.

12. Cattle generally healthy. But it is reported that in some parts of the Anekal Taluk they are affected with "Neradi Roga." Water and fodder are available for the present. But it is reported that they are rather insufficient in parts of the Dodballapur, Nelamangala, Magadi and Channapatna Taluks and the Closepet Sub-Taluk. It is reported that green leaves are being used for feeding cattle in some parts of the Magadi and Channapatna Taluks and that in some parts of the Kankanhalli Taluk, well-water is being used for their use.

KOLAR.

8. Market fairly supplied.

9. *Standing crops* are reported to be withering for want of rain in the Kyasamballi Hobli of the Bowringpet Taluk. Dry crops are affected with "Kunbuti Roga."

Crop sown.—Jola in Bowringpet and Goribidnur.

Crops harvested.—Ragi in all the taluks of the district, savè in Bowringpet, Sidlaghatta, Chikballapur, Bagepalli, and Srinivaspur; gid ragi in parts of Sidlaghatta and Goribidnur; sajje in Bagepalli; and sugar-cane in Goribidnur and Chikballapur.

Outturn of crops:—

Goribidnur—Ragi, yield 4 annas.
Sugar-cane, yield from 8 to 12 annas.
Chikballapur—Sugar-cane, yield from 2 to 4 annas.
Savè do 2 to 6 „
Sajje do „ „

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. Rain is very badly needed throughout the district for the standing crops. Food stuffs available, but their prices continue to be very high.

11. Except for cholera in the Srirangapur village of the Mulbagal Taluk, and plague in Bidiganahalli of the Chikballapur Taluk, public health generally good.

12. It is reported that "Rinderpest" is still prevailing in parts of the Mulbagal, Sidlaghatta, Bagepalli, Goribidnur and Srinivaspur Taluks. Water and fodder are available for the present.

12. Cattle are generally in fair condition. "Dod Roga" is still prevailing in parts of Hassan, Arkalgud and Belur. Pasture and fodder are generally available. In parts of the Channarayapatna and Arsikere Taluks, where grass is not sufficiently grown dry up grass is being used. It is reported that many cart-loads of paddy and ragi strow are being brought

TUMKUR.

8. Supply in market moderate.

9. *Standing crops.*—Dry crops have almost withered away in all the taluks. Paddy under wells in the Maddagiri and Pavagada Taluks is in modarately good condition.

Crops sown.—Bengal gram in the Maddagiri and Sira Taluks and the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk; cholum in the Maddagiri and Sira Taluks; wheat in the Maddagiri and Pavagada Taluks; and paddy under wells in the Sira Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Ragi in the Tumkur, Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Sira, Gubbi and Pavagada Taluks; and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk; cholum in the Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Tiptur and the Pavagada Taluks and the Koratagere Sub-Taluk; horse gram in the Chiknayakanhalli and Pavagada Taluks; castor in the Sira and Gubbi Taluks; and paddy in the Gubbi Taluk and the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season are not satisfactory. Food stuffs are available for the present, but their prices continue to be high.

11. Except for plague in the villages of Aralghatta and Iraksandra in the Gubbi Taluk and small-pox at Sadarhalli, public health generally good.

12. Fodder is procurable in limited quantities in all the taluks, except the Tumkur Taluk and the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk. Date leaves and leaves of trees are being used as fodder in the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk. Water scarcity is being felt in several villages of the Tumkur, Gubbi and Pavagada Taluks. "Dod Roga" still prevails among cattle in certain villages of the Tumkur and Tiptur Taluks.

MYSORE.

8. The weekly markets in all the taluks are reported to have been sufficiently supplied with grain during the week.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Lands in parts of the Gundlupet Taluk are being ploughed and made ready for sowing kar seeds.

Standing crops.—Dry crops are reported to be withering in most taluks for want of rain. Wet crops under some tanks in the Chamrajnagar Taluk are reported to be in good condition. But in the Nagamangala and Mandya Taluks, they are reported to be withering. Wet crops under river channels are generally in good condition.

Crops harvested.—Ragi in parts of the Mysore, Chamrajnagar, Nanjangud, T.-Narsipur and Malvalli Taluks; savé in parts of Malvalli and paddy in parts of Yedatore.

Estimated yield of standing crops :—

Malvalli—Ragi, yield 8 annas; paddy, yield 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season good on the whole. The standing dry crops are in urgent need of rain in all parts of the district. Food stuffs are available with raiyats and merchants, but their prices are still high.

11. Except for plague in a few places, public health generally good.

12. Cattle are suffering from "Dod Roga" in parts of Mysore and Gundlupet and from "Chappe Roga" in parts of the Mysore, Yedatore, Krishnarajpete and Malvalli Taluks. In other parts, they are reported to be healthy. Water and fodder are, at present, available. Some State Forests in the Nagamangala Taluk have been thrown open for free grazing.

HASSAN.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Paddy, sugar-cane, avare, togari, chillies, etc., in Hassan; paddy in Manjarabad; paddy, black gram, kulthi, avare, togari, and castor in Arkalgud; paddy in low-lying lands in Belur; sugar-cane and paddy under channels; ragi, avare, kulthi, togari, castor and chillies in Channarayapatna; ragi, avare, kulthi, hutchellu, togari, castor and chillies in Arsikere; ragi, avare, togari kulthi, paddy and sugar-cane under channels in Hole-Narsipur; paddy in low-lying lands, sugar-cane and cereal crops in Alur—these are reported to be in fair condition.

Crops sown.—Bengal-gram and jola in Channarayapatna and Bengal-gram in Arsikere have been sown in beds of tanks in which there is no water.

Crops harvested.—Paddy, ragi and cardamom in Manjarabad; paddy in Belur and Alur and Dod ragi in parts of Arsikere and Hole-Narsipur are being harvested. The yield of paddy at Manjarabad is estimated from 8 to 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season generally fair, but more rain is required throughout the district, and especially in parts of the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks.

11. Except for plague in parts of the Hassan, Belur and Arsikere Taluks, public health is generally good.

and sold in the Arsikere Town. Some cattle from the Kunigal side are reported to have been brought to the Manjarabad Taluk for grazing purposes. Difficulty for water is felt in parts of the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks, and steps are being taken to sink new wells and deepen old wells where necessary.

SHIMOGA.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops, viz.*, paddy, ragi, jola, sugar-cane, togari, avare, cotton, wheat, coriander, Bengal-gram and horse-gram are in somewhat fair condition, especially in low-lying lands; whereas those in other localities failed for want of rain.

Crops harvested.—Ragi in portions of the Shimoga and Honnali Taluks; paddy in the Honnali and Sorab Taluks and the Kumsi Sub-Taluk; jola and save in the Honnali Taluk; and arecanut in the Sagar, Nagar and Tirthahalli Taluks—these are being harvested.

10. Prospects of the season are not fair as in previous years. Food stuffs are available for the present, but their prices are high.

11. Public health generally good. But plague continues still in the Shimoga Town, Honnali Taluk and the Kumsi Sub-Taluk.

12. Murrain prevails among cattle in the Honnali and Sorab Taluks. Water and fodder available for the present.

KADUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops*:—

In Chikmagalur—Paddy, ragi, sugar-cane, avare, gingelly, coriander, kulthi, coffee and castor.

In Kadur—Paddy, ragi, avare, sugar-cane, wheat, togari, castor, jola, kulthi and chillies.

In Tarikere—Paddy, ragi, kulthi, avare, jola, togari, navane, baragu, coriander, gingelly, sugar-cane, green gram and black gram.

In Koppa—Paddy, sugar-cane, areca, pepper, cardamom, coffee, kulthi and ragi.

In Mudgere—Paddy, ragi, cardamom, sugar-cane and coffee.

In Yedahalli—Paddy, sugar-cane, areca and coffee.

In Sringeri—Areca and paddy.

Crops are reported to be withering for want of rain.

Crops harvested and their yield:—

Chikmagalur—Paddy yield 8 annas.
Kadur—Sugar-cane do
Tarikere—Paddy, ragi and jola.
Koppa—Paddy and areca, yield 8 annas.
Mudgere—Cardamom do
Yedahalli—Paddy and areca do
Sringeri—Paddy and areca.

10. Prospects of the season, which were showing signs hitherto of some slight improvement, have again been causing anxiety owing to want of rain. More rain is needed throughout the district. Food stuffs are available but their prices are very high.

11. Except for plague in certain villages of the Kadur and Tarikere Taluks, public health generally good.

12. Cattle are generally healthy. But "Dod Roga" still prevails in certain parts of the district. Water and fodder are again getting scanty, especially in the maidan parts. Date leaves are still being used for cattle in the Bidare hobli of the Kadur Taluk and some cattle have been taken from that taluk to the malnad parts for grazing purposes.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Such as ragi, navane, sajje, bili jola, horse-gram, Bengal-gram, castor, togari, avare, cotton and gingelly are reported to be generally withering for want of rain. But those under *kapile* wells and channels are in fairly in good condition. Throughout the district rain is urgently wanted for the standing crops.

Crops harvested and their yield —

Ragi in the Challakere and Holalkere Taluks, yield from 4 to 12 annas; jola, paddy, same and chillies in the Holalkere Taluk, yield from 4 to 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair, except in parts of the Hiriyur, Challakere and Hosdurga Taluks, where the dry crops have entirely failed. Food stuffs available.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy, except in parts of the Holalkere Taluk, where "Rinderpest" prevails. Water and fodder available, except in parts of the Hosdurga, Hiriyur and Challakere Taluks.

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